

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Louis RYLES

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For : LIQUID FILTERING APPARATUS

PETITION TO CONVERT THE APPLICATION TO  
A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

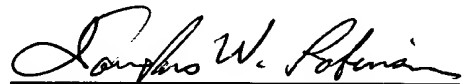
The above-referenced patent application was filed on May 2, 1997. The application was made as a new application and referenced PCT application S.N. PCT/AU95/00735 which was filed on November 6, 1995. This application should have been filed under 35 U.S.C. §371 as the National Phase of a PCT application. Applicant hereby requests conversion of this application to such an application. To facilitate this matter, submitted herewith are the appropriate transmittal papers which should have been filed, and the appropriate check covering the fees is similarly enclosed. Acceptance of this Petition is respectfully requested. Also submitted is a Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status and a check for \$130 to cover this Petition fee.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-2455 any fees necessary to maintain the pendency of the present application. If any issues remain which can best be solved by personal or telephone interview, please contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number listed below.

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